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Christopher S. Sontchi
Bankruptcy Judge

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Term Expires: February 22, 2020

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Kevin Gross
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Anne C. Conway
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: John Carroll 1972 BA; Florida 1975 JD
Began Service: 1992
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John A. Reed, Jr., United States
District Court for the Middle District of Florida (1975-1977)

Legal Practice: Young, Turnbull & Linscott (1978); Wells, Gattis, Hollows
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Richard Alan Lazzara
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Loyola U (New Orleans) 1967 BA; Florida 1970 JD
Began Service: November 1, 1997
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Assistant County Solicitor, County of Hillsborough, Florida
(1970-1972); Assistant State Attorney, County of Hillsborough, Florida
(1973)

Judicial: County Judge, Florida County Court, Hillsborough County
Court (1987); Judge, Florida Circuit Court, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit
(1988-1993); Judge, Florida Court of Appeal, Second District (1993-1997)

Legal Practice: Associate Attorney, Freedman & Hirsch, PA. (1973-1975);
Sole Practitioner, Law Offices of Richard A. Lazzara (1975-1986)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The C.H.
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James D. Whittemore
District Judge

Education: Florida 1974 BS; Stetson 1977 JD
Began Service: May 27, 2000
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Assistant Federal Public Defender, Office of the Federal
Public Defender (1978-1981)

Judicial: Circuit Judge, 13th Judicial Circuit Court, County of Hillsborough,
Florida (1990-2000)

Legal Practice: Law Clerk and Associate, Bauer, Morlan & Wells, PA
(1977); Associate, Whittemore & Seybold, PA (1981-1982); Associate,
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